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List of Premiums to be Awarded at the FIFTH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE CENTRE COUNTY AGRILULTURAL SOCIETY, to be held in BELLEFONTE, on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 15th, 16th and 17th of October

The Society hopes, further to establish the institution on the most liberal basis, appeals to every husbandman without reference to county lines, to aid in the object of the institution—the promotion of Agriculture. The Society offers the subjoined list for competition, and purposes to award such premiums upon the competitors becoming members, from whatever county they may come.

HORSES MARES AND HEIFFORNS.

Judges—Peter Rumpf, Potter; Jacob Struble, Walker; Jno. Alexander, Milesburg; John Hosterman, Haines; Joseph Moyer, Harris.

Best Bull 3 years old and upwards	$4 00
Second do do do	3 00
Best Cow do do	4 00
Second do do do	3 00
Best Heifer between 2 and 3 years old	2 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Heifer do do	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Bull between 1 and 2 years old	1 00
Best Heifer do do	1 00
Best Bull Calf do	2 00
Best Heifer Calf do	2 00
Second do do	1 00

DEVONS.

Judges—Thomas Heston, Walker; William Beard, Spring; Geo. Burlet, Potter; Jacob Fishburn, Benner; Hilbert Adams, Howard.

Best Bull 3 years old and upwards	$4 00
Second do do	3 00
Best Cow do do	4 00
Second do do	3 00
Best Bull between 2 and 3 years old	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Bull do 1 and 2 do	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Bull Calf	2 00
Second do	2 00
Best Heifer between 2 and 3 years	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Heifer Calf	2 00
Second do do	1 00

NATIVES OR GRADES.

Judges—John Rishel, Gregg; John H. Mitchell, Harris; Robert Hunter, Benner; David Smith, Marion; John Bailey, Ferguson.

Best Bull 3 years old and upwards	$4 00
Second do do	3 00
Best Bull between 2 and 3 years	4 00
Second do do	3 00
Best Bull do 1 and 2 do	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Bull Calf	2 00
Second do	1 00
Best Cow 3 years and upwards	4 00
Second do do	3 00
Best Heifer between 3 and 3 years	2 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Heifer between 1 and 2 years	3 00
Second do do	2 00
Best Heifer Calf	2 00
Second do do	1 00

[The age of all the stock shall be given to the Judges, and it is particularly required that the exact age of young cattle be handed in.]

MILCH COWS.

Judges.—A. S. Valentine, Spring; Andrew Hunter, Bellefonte; Adam Hosterman, Penn; Jno. McCalmont, Marion; Geo. L. Peters, Union

Best Milk Cow after 1 month from calving	$4 00
do do do 3 do do	3 00

[This class to be judged by the quantity of butter—the cows to be kept on grass only during the trial, and for ten days previous thereto. Time of trial, from the 15th of September to the first of October. Applicants for the premium must exhibit specimens of butter at the Fair, accompanying the same with a statement of the quantity of each day's milk, and with the time and manner of milking. Statements placed to be furnished the Judges as to the statement.]

WORKING OXEN, FAT CATTLE AND SHEEP.

Judges.—Wm. Marshal, Benner; Henry Wilfley, Potter; David Spanser, Halfmoon; Robert Connelly, Gregg; John Gleen, Ferguson.

WORKING OXEN.

Best Yoke Oxen	$3 00
Best Yoke Steers under 4 years	3 00

FAT CATTLE.

Best fat Steer	$4 00
Best fat Cow	3 00
Best fat Heifer	2 00

[Applicants for premiums must furnish statements of the manner of feeding. The Judges will give particular attention to the animals offered for examination.]

SHEEP.

Best Shoulaered Mutton	$2 00
Best lot Five Wethers—not less than 3	2 00

SHORT-PAPE WOOLED AND MIDDLE WOOLED.

Best Buck	$2 00
Second best	1 00
Best pen of Ewes—not less than 3 in number	2 00
Second best	1 50
Best pen of Ewe Lambs—not less than 4	1 00
Best pen of Bucks	1 00

LONG WOOLED NATIVES.

Best Buck	$3 00
Second best	2 00
Best pen of Ewes—not less than 3	3 00
Second best do	2 00
Best pen of Ewe Lambs—not less than 4	2 00
Second best do do	1 00

[The following mode is adopted by the society for the guidance of the Judges:—The different breeds of long wooled sheep separate in their purity. The with another thorough bred long wooled breed is mixture of one thorough-bred long-wooled breed mixed long wools. The different blods of short-wooled sheep separate in their purity. The mixture of one thorough-bred short-wooled breed with another thorough-bred short wooled breed is mixed short wools. The mixture of long-wooled sheep with short-wooled breeds, middle wools. The mixture of any improved breed with natives as part-bred and grades.]

SWINE.

Judges.—Henry Keller, Harris; Jno. P. Packer, Barnard; Matthew Riddle, Spring; T. K. Knox, Benner; Francis Alexander, Potter.

Best Boar over 4 years	$3 00
Second best	2 00
Best Boar over 1 year	3 00
Second best	2 00
Best Boar over 6 months and under 1 year	3 00
Second best do do	2 00
Best breeding Sow over 3 years	3 00
Second best do	2 00
Best Sow 1 year	3 00
Second best	2 00
Best Sow over 6 months and under 1 year	3 00
Second best do do	2 00
Best lot Pigs (not less than 5) under 10 mo's	3 00
Second best do do	2 00

[The foregoing list includes Chester, Berkshire, Lebanon, and their grades.]

HOUSES.

Judges.—Jos. Shirk, Potter; James Gordon, Walker; John Levin, Howard; Jno. Thompson, Worth; John Weitz, Haines.

Best Stallion (heavy draft) over 4 years	$5 00
Second best do do	4 00
Best Stallion from 3 to 4 years	4 00
Second best do	3 00
Best Stallion (quick draft over 4 years	5 00
Second best do do	4 00
Best Stallion from 3 to 4 years	4 00
Second best do	3 00
Best breed Mare over 4 years	4 00
Second best do	3 00
Best Stallion for saddle over 4 years	4 00
Second best do do	4 00
Best breed Mare do do	3 00
Second best do do	4 00
Best pair English Horses	3 00
Second best do	3 00
Best Saddle Horse, Mare or Gelding	3 00
Best pair of South Hoosas	3 00
Best 1 year old Colt or Filly	2 00
Second best do	2 00
Best 2 year old do	1 00
Second best do	2 00
Best 3 year old do	1 00
Second best do	2 00

Best sucking Colt under one year	1 00
Second best do do	50

[Some of the progeny of the brood Mares to be exhibited.]

MULES AND JACKS.

Judges.—Dr. J. M. McCoy, Boggs; Jno. Adams, Huston; John Irvin, Harris; Wm. Iddings, Boggs; Sam'l Harris, Bellefonte.

Best Jack	$3 00
Second best	2 00
Best Jennet	3 00
Second best	2 00
Best Pair of Mules	3 00
Best Fair of Mules trained for the Plow	3 00

POULTRY.

Judges.—Robert Gobeen, Harris; William Humes, Bellefonte; Roland Curtin, Boggs; Geo. Dale, Benner; David Kimport, Potter.

Best Pair White Shanghaies	$1 00
Do do Cochin China	1 00
Do do Red Shanghaies	1 00
Do do Yellow do	1 00
Do do Grey Chittagongs	1 00
Do do Red do	1 00
Do do Bantams	50
Do do Jersey Blues	50
Do do Common Dorkings	50
Do do White Polland Ducks	50
Do do Common do	50
Do do Muscovy do	50
Do do Wild Turkeys	50
Do do Common Turkeys	50
Do do Creole Chickens	50
Best and greatest variety of fowls of any kind	1 00

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIONS.

Judges.—James Armor, Spring; Amos Alexandur, Penn; Moses Thompson, Harris; John L. Thompson, Halfmoon; Edw. C. Humes, Bellefonte.

Best 5 acres of Corn	$5 00
Do 1 acre of Corn	2 00
Do 5 acres of Wheat	5 00
Do 1 acre of Wheat	2 00
Do 1 acre of Rye	2 00
Do 3 acres of Barley	3 00
Do 3 acres of Oats	3 00
Best and most Timothy Hay on 1 acre	2 00
Best and most Clover Hay on one acre	2 00
Best quarter acre of Irish Potatoes	2 00
Best quarter acre of Carrots, Ruta Bagas Sugar Beets, Mangle Wortzel and Turnips, each	1 00
Best and largest variety of Wheat exhibited in the sheaf—not less than three varieties	1 00

[Awards will be made at the meeting in January on Wheat, Corn, Rye, Oats, Barley, Potatoes and Roots. Competitors for the above productions must produce a full statement of the mode of cultivation; and accompanying the same with a certificate of two respectable neighbors, as to the product and measurement of the ground, and also exhibit a sample of the crop at the Fair.]

FORMS FOR SURVEYORS, APPLICANTS AND ASSISTANTS,

——— *A B. certificates and says that he is a surveyor, that he surveyed, with chain and compass, the land on which C. D. raised a crop of* ———, *the past season; and the quantity of land is* ——— *acres, and no more.*

A B Surveyor

——— *C D. certifies and says that he raised a crop of* ———, *the past season upon the said land surveyed by A B, and that the quantity of grain raised thereon was* ——— *bushels, measured in a sealed half bushel; and that he was assisted in harvesting and measuring said crop, by E. F., and that the statement annexed, as to the manner of cultivation, &c, is, in all respects, true to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that the sample of the grain exhibited is a fair average sample of the whole crop.*

C D.

——— *E F. certifies and says that he assisted C. D in harvesting getting out and measuring his crop of* ——— *referred to above, that the quantity of grain was* ——— *bushels as stated above*

E F.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS

Judges—Wm. Harris; Bellefonte; James Gillland, Stow-Shoe; Robert Ross, Gregg, C. Dale, Harris, David Keller, Benner.

Best Barshear Plough	$2 00
Do Metal Plow	1 00
Do Cultivator	1 00
Do Harrow	1 00
Do Roller	1 00
Do Subsoil Plow	1 00
Do Sidehill Plough	1 00
Do Corn Planter	1 00
Do Mowing and Reaping Machine	4 00
Do Drill for Grain and Grass Seeds	3 00
Do Corn and Cob Crusher	2 00
Do Cornstalk Crusher and Cutter	2 00
Do Corn Plow	1 00
Do Horse Rake	1 00
Do Set Wagon Harness	2 00
Do Grain Cradle	1 00
Do Wagon for farm use	2 00
Do Horse Cart	1 00
Do Set Cart Gears	1 00
Do Sweep Horse Power	3 00
Do Railway do	3 00
Do Threshing Machine	2 00
Do Separator and Straw Carrier	1 00
Do Hay and Straw Cutter for hand power,	1 00
Do Corn Sheller for horse power	2 00
Do Corn Sheller for hand power	1 00
Do Fanning Mill	1 00
Do Hay Fork for unloading hay in the barn,	1 00
Do Hay and Dung Forks	1 00
Do Seed Cleaning Screen	1 00
Do Pump Machine	1 00
Do and such numerous collection of Agricultural Implements, with a description	4 00
Second best do do do	2 00

[Competitors to be the makers of the articles competed for. In addition the superior claims of every implement to its mechanical principles, the Judges will be specially well satisfied as to the strength and durability of the iron and woodwork of the same, and any deficiency in this respect shall be a cause of its rejection or denial of a premium.]

DAIRY AND HOUSEY

Judges—Jno Tonner, Bellefonte; Wm. C Duncan, Penn; James Dunlap, Ferguson; W. P. Harris, Walker, N. J. Mitchell, Howard

Best specimen fresh Butter—not less than 6 lbs	$2 00
Second best do do	1 50
Third best do do	1 00
Best Cheese—not less than 10 lbs	1 50
Second best do do	1 00
Best ten pounds of Honey	2 00

[The Honey to be taken without destroying the bees; the kind of hives and the management to be stated by the competitors. The method of making the butter and cheese also to be stated by each competitor.]

FRUIT.

Judges—Dr B. J Berry, Harris; Wm. Keller, Potter; Jno. B. Mesk, Huston; T. M. Hall, Milesburg; J H. McClure, Bellefonte.

Best collection and most handsome specimens of named variety of Fall Apples	$1 00
Second best do do	50
Best sweet Butter-Apples for cider	75
Do do do for boiling in cider	75
Do Apple Butter made from apples only, with certified specimens of the varieties of fruit used	1 00
Do collection and handsomest Pears named	1 00
Second best do do do	50
Best collection and handsomest Peaches do	1 00
Second best do do do	50
Best collection and handsomest Plums do	1 00
Second best do do do	50
Best collection and handsomest Grapes do	75
Do native or seedling Grapes do	75
Do Cherries named	75
Second best do	50
Best Cranberries (from cultivated beds only)	75
Best display of Watermelons	75
Second best do	50
Best display of Muskmelons	75
Second best do	50
Best display of different varieties of fruit	2 00
Second best do do do	1 00
Third best do do do	50
Best dried Apples, not less than 1 peck to be exhibited	50
Do dried Peaches, do do do	1 00

[The manner of preparation of the Dried Apples and Peaches to be given the Judges. Winter Apples cannot be tested in October, but might, perhaps, be shown in January.]

☞ [Exhibiters of Fruits are requested to furnish the Judges when making their examinations, with samples in kind, other than those on exhibition, that the specimens required by the Premium List may not be injured or destroyed.]

VEGETABLES

Judges—Hr. Wm. I. Wilson, Potter; Hon. S. Stroheckar, Miles; Abram Elder, Half-Moon; J. H. Morrison, Bellefonte; James Alexander, Milesburg.

Best and largest assortment of Table Vegetables	$1 00
Best dozen Long Red Beets	50
Do do Turnip Rect do	50
Do do Heads Cauliflower	50
Do half dozen Heads of Brocoli	50
Do do Cabbage	50
Do dozen Carrots	50
Do do Egg Plants	50
Do do Parsnips	50
Do peck Onions	50
Do half bushels Seeding Potatoes	50
Do do Sweet Potatoes	50
Do Sweet Pumpkins 3 in number	50
Do half dozen Winter Squashes	50
Do sample of Beans	50
Do sample of Peas	50
Do sample of Tomatoes	50
Do sample of Celery	50

HOUSEHOLD MANUFACTURERS.

Judges—P. B. Wilson, Bellefonte; J. Irvin Gregg, Walker; Jos. Green, Milesburg.

Best Quilt	$1 00
Do Counterpane	1 00
Do Hearth-Rug	1 00
Do pair of home-made Blankets	1 00
Do home-made Carpet	1 00
Do made Shirt	1 00
Do Undershirt	1 00
Do Yarn Hose	1 00
Second best do	50
Best coarse Yarn Hose	1 00
Second best do	50
Best Home-made Soap	1 00
Do do Bread	1 00
Do do Pound Cake	1 00
Do specimen of Pickles	1 00
Do Fruit Jelly	1 00
Do preserves Stone Fruit of any kind	1 00
Second best do do	50
Best Butter	1 00
Do specimen of Embroidery	1 00
Do specimen of Worsted Work	1 00

[Discretionary Premiums of 50 cents each can be awarded for meritorious articles not enumerated in the above list to the amount of ten dollars.]

FLOUR.

Judges—John Reuter, Spring; Wm. Barnhart, Bellefonte; Wm. Blair, Bellefonte; Hilbert, Haines; John Boyer, Potter; Harris Linn, Boggs.

For the best barrel of Extra Superfine Family Flour, manufactured from the least quantity of Wheat $3 00

Second best do do	2 00
Third best do do	1 00
For the best barrel of Rye Flour	2 00
Second best	1 00
Best half barrel of Buckwheat Flour	1 00
Second best	50

[Competitors to produce to the Judges a certificate from the miller, stating the exact quantity of Wheat taken to manufacture each barrel of Wheat Flour, and also to state the exact weight of shorts and bran left from each barrel made—the object being to produce the best barrel of Flour from the least quantity of grain. The same rule to be observed with respect to Rye and Buckwheat Flour. The name and character of the grain to be also stated.]

FLOWERS.

Judges—W P Wilson, Bellefonte; James Curtin, Boggs; M Thompson Milligan, Spring

☞ [The above Committee are to select 3 Ladies from those attending the Fair, to assist as Judges

Best Floral Display	1 00
Second best	50

PLOUGHING MATCH.

Judges.—Philip Shoenberger, Harris, John L Gray, Halfmoon, John Neff, Potter; Henry Barnhart, Boggs, Geo W Meek, Ferguson

Best Plow and Plowman, as shown by the actual work performed	$4 00
Second best do do do do	3 00
Third best do do do do	2 00
Fourth best do do do do	1 00

[The Plow-Teams and Plowman, must be on the ground, on the third morning at 10 o'clock, ready to take the place assigned them by the Judges]

SWEEPSTAKE PREMIUMS.

Judges—Gen J Irvin, Bellefonte; Thomas Hutchison, Potter; Wm. Foster, Harris; R. H. Duncan, Gregg; Wm Burchfield, Ferguson

[Sweepstake premiums are offered to those who are disposed to contend for them under the following regulations

1st Persons desirous of competing for any of these Premiums can do so by having their names entered with Geo Buchanan, Secretary, on or before the first day of the exhibition, and at the same time paying fifty cents on each article contended for

2d. The premium on each article will be composed of two-thirds of the whole amount subscribed, under the above regulations for such articles and will be awarded to the subscriber who exhibits the best samples, and the remaining one-third subscribed will be awarded to the subscriber who exhibits the second best samples.

3d. No one can be a competitor for these premiums who is not the actual producer of the article contended for.]

Best bushel of Corn in the Ear, best bushel of Wheat, best bushel of Rye, best bushel of Oats; best bushel of Barley; best bushel of Buckwheat; best bushel of Timothy Seed; best bushel of Clover Seed; best bushel of Irish Potatoes; best bushel of Sweet Potatoes.

MECHANICAL IMPLEMENTS AND MANUFACTURES

Judges—H N. M'Allister, Bellefonte; Peter Wilson, Gregg; John G. Laurimer, Spring, P B Waddle, Patton, Jos Baker, Harris

Best pair Horse Shoes	$0 50
Do made Plough-Handles—not less than 3 to be exhibited	50
Do made Meat-Vessel	50
Do Cooking Stove	1 00
Do Parlor Stove	1 00
Do Washing Machine	50
Do Set of Farming Harness	1 00
Do Set of Single harness	1 00
Do Pair of Boots	1 00
Do Pair of Shoes	50
Do Side of Sole Leather	1 00
Do Kip and Calf Skin	1 00
Do Side of Harness and Upper	1 00
Do Pair of Blankets	1 00
Do Piece of Satinett	1 00
Do Piece of Overcoating	1 00
Do Piece of Cassimere	1 00
Do Piece of Kentucky Jean	1 00
Do Piece of Figured Carpeting	1 00
Do Piece of Ingrain Carpeting	1 00
Do Specimen of Marble Work	1 00
Do Specimen of Earthern and Stone Ware	1 00
Do Gate for Barn or Field use	1 00
Do Shingle Machine	1 00
Do Stave Machine	1 00
Do Saddle and Bridle	1 00
Do Two-Horse Carriage	2 00
Do Buggy	2 00
Do Lot of Cabinet Ware	1 00
Do Specimen of Wood and Iron Fence	1 00
Do and greatest variety of Tin Ware	1 00
Do and the greatest variety of Copper Ware	1 00

DISCRETIONARY PREMIUMS.

Judges—Samuel Gilliland, Harris; C. G Ryman, Milesburg, Bond Valentine, Bellefonte; S. Vantries, Potter, O B. Ellis, Potter.

[To award Premiums for such meritorious articles brought to the Fair, and not enumerated in the Premium List, as may be found worthy of receiving a Premium.]

PREMIUM ANIMALS

Judges—Hon. Ja's Burnside, Bellefonte; W A Davidson, Boggs; Wm. Allison, Potter; Philip Barnhart, Spring; David Stuart, Ferguson.

[Awards of Premiums to be made at the discretion of the Judges.] jy23.

ANOTHER ROORBACK.—It now turns out that the horrible story which is going the rounds of the press, representing the discovery of the body of a young man near Blue Springs, Kansas, tied to a tree, with a rifle ball through his head, and his throat cut, is a flagrant hoax, concocted by a young lawyer, who probably had more leisure than clients. It is a singular fact that of all the blood-red tragedies, which are stated to have occurred at Kansas, nine-tenths are as little founded in fact as the one above referred to.

GREAT FOOT RACE.—On Thursday, a six mile foot race, two-mile heats, took place at Bangor, between John Grindell, of New York, an English pedestrian, named Cook, and five Indians, for a purse of $100. Grindell won each heat, notwithstanding a fresh Indian was put upon the course at the commencement of each mile. Grindell made the following time:—First mile, 5:20: second, 5:20: third, 5:12: fourth, 5:32: fifth, 5:16 Total, 31:40. About 1500 persons were on hand to witness the proceedings.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

The Christians keep Sunday; the Greeks, Monday: the Persians, Tuesday: the Assyrians, Wednesday; the Egyptians, Thursday; the Turks, Friday, and the Jews, Saturday.

B. B. Groom, of Clark County, Kentucky, recently sold 169 head of two-year old mules, $175 each.

An old line Whig writes to the Boston *Times* that he has a nephew who wants to acquire a military education, and wants to know which would be the best—sending him to West Point, or to the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

Build good school-houses, employ competent teachers, and make study an amusement and a pleasure instead of a drag, as it now is—and what then? Why, we may soon be able to ticket our prisons-doors with a "For Rent,"

The editor of a Fremont paper out west, who has just failed, says he did it with all the honors of war, and retires from the field with colors flying—the Sheriffs flag fluttering from two windows and the door.

Colonel Fonda, of Calhoun county, Michigan, has a farm of [illegible] within three miles of [illegible] He is now raising fine-wooled sheep. [illegible] this year sheared four hundred, obtaining [illegible] thousand nine hundred pounds of wool, which he sold for forty-two cents per pound. They are all full-blooded French and Spanish Merinos. Four of the former sheared ninety pounds.

Two suicides were committed in Harrisburg last week—one a colored woman, who drowned herself in the Susquehanna, the other a young white woman, who ended a sinful career with a dose of laudanum.

The bill fixing the compensation of members of Congress, as passed by the House on Friday week, gives them $3000 annually, cuts of all appropriations for books for members, and deducts compensation for absence.

A colored lady in Johnstown gave birth to three little woolly heads recently—two girls and a boy. The boy died the day after his birth, but the girls are alive and kicking.

The Fremont and Johnson platform broke down in Allegheny City, Pa., the other night. The 4th of November will witness a worse break-down.

John O'Neill, one of the ablest lawyers in Zanesville, Ohio, heretofore a [illegible] Whig, has come [illegible] in old Muskingum, and will be accompanied by a large force of his old Whig companions and friends.

In Illinois, two of the Scott electors in 1852, and the Whig nominees of that year for Governor and Secretary of State, go with the Democracy in the present canvass.

Some 30 or 40 Germans of Allegheny city, Pa., who were deluded into Black Republicanism, on hearing Gov. Ford's speech last Thursday evening, went home vowing to vote for James Buchanan.

Samuel Coen and John Ashman, of Huntington county, both intelligent and active old line Whigs, have declared their intention to laborand vote for Buchanan and Breckinridge. Many other old liners in that county will do the same thing.

THEY DON'T LIKE IT.—Some of the Black Republican Journals are disposed to complain and say hard things of Senator Bigler, on account of this resolution, adopted by the Senate, calling on the proper department for the vouchers and facts in relation to Col, Fremont's claims and accounts against the Government. This is certainly very ungenerous on their part; for instead of censuring, they should thank Senator Bigler for this movement, if they are *confident* that the truth when fully developed will exhibit him pure and blameless; and they should also bear in mind that the charges against Fremont, which the answer to Senator Bigler's resolution will either refute or establish, where first made by the Washington *Organ* Fillmore journal at Washington. The quarrel, therefore, is between the Fillmorities and the Fremonters, and Senator Bigler and the Democrats very properly desire to know on which side is the truth.

FREMONT IN CALIFORNIA.—The following, from the Sacramento *State Journal*, needs no comment: "The nomination of John C. Fremont by the Black Republicans occasions more amusement than serious reflection in California. The nomination is esteemed a very shabby affair; men turn up their noses at it, and say "Pshaw!" He will not receive one of the forty thousand better votes in the State, and, indeed, we greatly question whether he will be able to carry a single precinct. The people of California know him, and such a prophet is without honor in his own country."

ILLINOIS.—An Illinois correspondent of the St. Louis *Republican* expresses entire confidence that Mr. James C. Allen, democrat, who was ousted from his seat in the United States Hous of Representatives by the anti-Nebraska majority in that body, will be triumphantly re-elected and sent back. The same correspondent says "not a doubt is expressed by any democrat I have seen as to the result in this State next November.

THE OLDEST NEWSPAPER.—The New Hampshire *Patriot*, printed at Concord is the oldest paper in the United States. it was commenced in 1754, and is now in its one hundred and third year. The *Gazette* published at Williamsport is forty-seven years old, and the *Berichter* published at Aaronsburg in this county has been in existence twenty-nine years.

BUCHANAN AND BRECKINRIDGE SONG.

TUNE—"*Star Spangled Banner.*"

Oh! say brothers, say, are we not in the right,
When we proudly stand by our beloved Constitution,
And swear by each star, and vow by each stripe,
We will never look on and see its pollution?
God grant by the blood which our forefathers shed,
That union and peace o'er our fair land be spread
And long may our stars and our stripes proudly wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

On the shore, dimly seen, are the foes fast approaching,
With envy, and strife, and disunion at heart;
Be up and be doing, for now is the day-spring;
Our watchword is "Union;" this, brothers, impart,
Each State will be free its own laws to enact;
And all shall unite in one glorious compact.
And thus, only thus, can our stars and stripes wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

We are proud to present to our nation a man,
Whose principles no one on earth dare impeach,
'Tis inscribed on our banner; our heart; and our tongue;
His name every mother her children should teach.
And we swear by the spilt blood, and mouldering bones,
Of the heroes who died to secure us free homes;
That the star-spangled banner forever shall wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

America now is the home for oppressed,
And thousands on thousands we daily receive,
They call us the land of the free and the blest,
The stranger and homeless pray never deceive
But teach them, pray teach them, with banner in hand;
That "Union" is the password to save our fair land,
Old Buck is the man for freeman and slave,
"United we stand" while our stars and stripes wave!

The tocsin now ring, and the bell keep in motion,
Let not the usurpers with cunning pretend,
That they are the party to rule the nation,
That they are the party the slave defend.
We alone are the party the Constitution to save
To protect the oppressed, and cheer on the brave!
Three cheers, three times three, that our flag long shall wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

THE MAN ON THE ICEBERG.

"It is a man!" said the captain, handing his telescope to the mate, after a long, steady look, and then [illegible] to the sides of the iceberg."

"Keep her away!" cried the skipper.—"So—o—o. Steady!" and by thus altering we brought the iceberg right ahead.

The iceberg had been in sight since the weather cleared at midnight, when it looked like rome high rocky headland, except that, by watching the bright stars behind it, we could see its gigantic outline swaying solemnly and majestically up and down. There it floated, large enough, had it been land, to have been the dwelling-place of hundreds of human beings. The lower part was of so dark a purple as to look almost black; but higher up, it shaded off to a bright azure, then to a light pale green, while on its lofty summit were long slender spires and pinnacles, and pieces of thin transparent ice, worked into all manner of fantastic forms, and either of a crystal witness, or tinted with a beautiful pale pink. There were bays and promontories, caves and grottos, hills and dells, with every variety of light and shade. The island was almost equally divided by a great valley running through its centre. This was half filled with snow; which, thawing slowly in the sun, formed the source of a water fall, at a height so great that it was blown into fine rain before it reached the sea. Around its base—on which the sea was breaking with a noise less boomingand more musical than when it dashes on the solid shore—was a broad band of frozen spray, which, glittering in the sunshine, looked like the silver setting of an enormous sapphire.

Not far from the top, and on the side nearest to us, was a vast smooth, glassy plain, inclining steeply towards the sea, and terminating abruptly in a tremendous overhanging precipice. In the very centre of this plain, those among us who had good eyes could see a small black spot. It was at this that the captain had been peering through his glass, when he said. "It is a man!"

Every glass in the ship was in requisition, and every eye strained towards one point.—The excitement became almost frantic, when one of the watchers suddenly exclaimed that he saw the man move his hand.

We approached; so near at last that the plateau above, and its dread object, were at last hidden from view by the brink of the precipice itself, which seemed as if about to roll over and chrush us. We sailed along its side, frequently lying-to, to explore each nook and corner as we passed. The farther end of the island, when we rounded it, presented quite a new feature; the base was sapped away and undermined for about half a mile by a succession of low cavernous hollows, extending inwards farther than we could see, while the sea, rushing in and out tumultuously, made the pent up air within howl and whistle like a hurricane. Altering our course again, we steered almost due west under the southern side, where its vast shadow spread out far and wide over the ocean.

It now looked even grander, darker, more fear inspiring, than before, with the sun beaming over its rugged crest, or shining through the thinner parts, and showing all the prismatic colors of the rainbow. The ice-island was that of an irregular triangle, and in about five hours we had sailed completely round it. But there was no single point at which any boat could have landed, even had it been a dead calm, but the sea as still as mill pond; much less than in such a heavy surf as was then foaming and creaming all around it. No sign of living thing was seen, excepting one great sleepy seal, that had crept into a hole just above water-mark and lay there as if he were in comfortable quarters. No sign of boat, or spar, or wreck. It was a picture of utter desolation.

We hove-to again, nearest the point from which the man upon the iceberg could be seen. He lay on his back with one arm folded in an unusual manner under his head, the whole attitude being one of easy repose; indeed, had it not been for the marble look of his face and hands, we could have fancied that he was sleeping soundly. He was clothed as one of the better class of seamen, in, rough blue pilot-cloth with large horn buttons; he had no hat and by his side lay a small boat-hook, to which was tied a strip of red woollen stuff, apparently a piece of the same he wore round his neck. This, no doubt, the poor fellow had intended platting on the heights as a signal. In such a thin, clear atmosphere, with the aid of a powerful telescope, even his features might be plainly traced, and his iron grey hair seen moving in the wind.

The second mate stoutly declared that he recognized the man—he was quite sure of it—an old chum and shipmate of his, with whom he had sailed many a long voyage, and some part of whose wild, varied history, he told us the next evening. What seemed to convince him more than anything, was the peculiar way in which the dead man's arm was stowed away under his head—his old shipmate always slept so, even in his hammock.

Numerous and strange were the conjectures and remarks made by officers and men. Who find what was he? How long had he been there? How did he get there? The general conclusion was that he was one of the crew of some vessel wrecked upon the iceberg itself, of which no vestige remained.

"Yes, like enough," said one of the sailors; "she run into the ice in the dark, and that sank like a stone, same as we may have done any time within the last six weeks."

"Perhaps he was aloft when she struck, and got pitched up where he is now."

"As like to be pitched into the moon," rejoined another, contemptuously. "Why, that there precipice is three times as high as the tauntest mast ever rigged.

"Perhaps, now," suggested a third, "it's some awful cruel skipper, who's been a hazing and ill-using of his crew till they could not bear with it no longer, and was drove to mutiny; and put him ashore there, all alone, to die by himself, so as they should not have his blood upon their hands; or, maybe he was a murderer, or a Yankee slave-keeper."

"Ah; Bill," growled out a previous speaker, "you've always got a good word to say for every one, you have."

It was a very old man who spoke next; one who was loooked up to as a great authority on all such matters, although he was usually remarkably taciturn, and would never enter into an argument. He quietly deposited his quid in his hat; and, as this was always done preparatory to his making a speech, his shipmates waited in silence for him to begin.

"That there ice-island," he said at last, wasn't launched yesterday, nor yet last year, nor the year before, perhaps; and, by the looks of him, he's been for a pretty long cruise in warm latitudes—last summer, maybe—and then come back home for the winter. If you look away yonder—there—just this side of that high point like a church steeple, only lower down, there's a place looks darker than the rest. Now, it's just there I expect that a great piece has broken off and drifted away; and I calculate 'twas lower and more shelving off—not so steep and rocky-like as it is now. 'Twas there that poor chap was cast ashore from ship or boat. He was trying to make his way up to the heights to take a look round, and hoist a signal, when he lay down and went to sleep, and never wake again; only, where he is now, you see, must have been covered with snow then, or he couldn't have kept his footing."

Having said thus much he replaced the quid in his mouth and spoke no more.

There was no earthly use in waiting longer, and yet the captain seemed loth to give the order to fill and bear away.

"If the poor fellow had a spark of life in him, he would have moved before this, for it's six or seven hours since we first saw him. But if he did move, it would only be to slide down over the precipice, for no living thing could keep a footing on such a slope as that. And if there are any more of them we should have seen them before this time, although we could never get them off if we did."

Then pausing suddenly in his walk on the quarter-deck, he gave an order to get a gun ready forward, and presently came the answer:

"All ready with the gun, sir."

"Fire!"

In a few seconds the echo of the loud report resounded from the icy wall; for another instant all was still, and then came a noise like the rattling of loud thunder, proceeding from the centre of the berg.

The danger of our proximity to this vast object now became more and more apparent, and all sail was made to get a good offing. But we had barely proceeded a quarter of a mile when the same noise was heard again, only louder, more prolonged, and accompanied by a rending, crushing sound, the intensity and nature of which is perfectly inexplicable. The vast island was parting in the middle, down the course of the deep valley before mentioned; and slowly and majestically the eastern half rolled over into sea, upheaving what had been its base, in which were imbedded huge masses of rock covered with long sea-weed. The other part still remained erect, but was swaying to-and fro, as if it also must capsize. This convulsion caused less foam and turmoil than might have been supposed, but raised a wave of such tremendous magnitude, that when it reached our ship she seemed about to be overwhelmed by a rolling mountain of water higher than our mast-heads. The good ship rose upon its crest, and before again sinking into the hollow, we saw the man upon the ice